## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Merwin H. Alferness et al.

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For : METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR ALLOCATING

BANDWIDTH FOR A NETWORK PROCESSOR

Examiner : Tanh Q. Nguyen

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.17 (a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Examiner's Office Action mailed September 14, 2006 in which a three-month period for response expired on December 14, 2006.

After granting the Request for a one-month extension of time, the response period will expire on January 15, 2007.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1696 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the one-month extension fee.

No other fees are believed necessary, however if additional fees are required please charge deposit account No. 04-1696.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 15, 2007 Tarrytown, New York